First Methodist Church

MAQUOKETA, IOWA

MILTON NOTHDURFT, MINISTER
310 W. MAPLE STREET
PHONE 301

April 30, 1951

Frank Scully's Bedside Manor
2071 Grace Avenue
Hollywood 28, Calif.

Dear Friend Scully:

Following is the spectrochemical analysis of the fragment from a flying saucer, as reported by Roger Graham, and as made at the University of Chicago prior to June, 1949. It may have been made long before this, but I have had it since then:

High percentages:	Ca Fe Zn Ti
Middle percentages:	Al Mn Cu Mg Si
Low percentages:	Ni Pb Sr Cr
Traces:	Ag Sn Cd

Quotation of a friend of mine: "Sixteen elements in all, all on the same side of the valence scale, with no oxygen, chlorine, or other combiner with it. This precludes any possibility of its being natural. It also seems to me it places the stuff outside the range of ordinary combinations known to man, since Ag, Cd, and Zn are blended with Fe, Mn and other high temperature metals."

My wife stayed in the home of an outstanding U.S. chemist while in college. I know him and have spoken to him about this. (I am informed he is on the atomic energy commission now.) Last summer I sent him this analysis, and the following is an excerpt from his letter:

> "Have been giving your questions some thought. . . The analysis does not correspond to any natural occurring material. Neither does the analysis correspond to the analysis of meteorites.
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> "Any combinations of these metals would have to be made at very high temperatures. It might be just a mixture of metallic elements forming what we know as an alloy."

I have the figures representing the atomic number and atomic weight of each of these elements, but I presume you know those. Of course these numbers would apply only in case the analysis was made in terms of earthly metals anyway! However, I can send them, if they would be of any use.

I would give quite a bit to get some convincing proofs or negatives from photographs of astronomers. (Would this be Prof. Adamski, whose article once appeared in FATE magazine?)

Would also like to write the chaplain who buried the men, if you can get his name and address.

Also hope to get information regarding investigations in Scotland, if you will be so kind as to keep me informed. THANKS.

Milton Nothdurft

See latest issue of FATE for rather complete description of "ice" (which does not melt!) which has fallen in England, Scotland, etc. in Nov., Dec., and early months of this year, some as large as 20-inch cylinders! No planes overhead. Any connection with Scottish space ship?

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May 1, 1951.

Dear Mr. Scully:

It was quite a surprise to me to get your letter. Yet, I thought it was nice of you to acknowledge my letter shortly after I wrote you. It must be quite a problem segregating mail and answering it after writing a book like 'Flying Saucers'. And, having facts to back up your subject-matter must have given you a kick to read some of the letters you received. I can speak first hand on getting both sides of an argument, like you must have gotten with your book, when I wrote, in 1939, an article exposing Racketeering in X-Ray. (feature Article in Physical Culture, 1939. Reprinted again in 1948, May, by request, when the optical racket was being cleaned up here by the Better Business Bureau.). After the statements I made in the article about General Electric, the American Medical Association, and phoney diagnosis' made on sick people). Well, after the article, I had plenty of 'checkers' checking up on me to find out what I knew about what I wrote. And I had all my facts in my daily laboratory work book. So I just let them froth and foam. I had the facts, and I meant to let the public in on how they were being taken for a ride. I have a letter from Dr. Wilbur Bailey, on the State Medical Board complimenting me on the article. So, as I said, you must get a kick out of reading criticisms of your book subject-matter when you know so many factual cases proving your book.

It would be a pleasure to meet both you, and Mr. Newton, any time we can make a definite date. I can leave the time up to you because it will be when you and Mr. Newton can get together. I would like to know at least a day in advance so that I can setup my outfit

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to show you what I said I would show you about Ions of non-magnetic elements being controlled magnetically.....not by electro-magnets, but by a simple permanent magnet, or magnets. After both, you and Mr. Newton, have seen this demonstration, you both will be 100% convinced, because I will let you do the manipulating of the magnet. I will let you select the metal you wish to use, that is, any of the metals I have here, such as Copper, Zinc, Silver, or Tin. And any of the magnetic metals, such as Cobalt. Iron and Nickel have a reverse action to Cobalt in this study, also Gold, and perhaps other metals I have not worked with, but the last metals mentioned would be affected and controlled, just as the first metals mentioned, only the pattern would be upward instead of downward. I have studied Copper more than any other metal because it makes such a good subject. But, it will be up to you to select the metal you wish to see demonstrated. After you are convinced, then you might wish to see what can be done with 'Saucer' metal, if there is any available.

What you said in your letter about the Yale professor is interesting to hear. I wonder what he would think if he saw non-magnetic elements, not alloyed with other elements, but basically pure non-magnetic elements, radically, and sensitively controlled with a simple permanent magnet. Both you, and Mr. Newton, will forget all of the text-book illustrations you have seen on Ionization dissociation after you see what actually takes place before your own eyes.

I don't have much confidence in what comes out of the Pentagon, Mr. Scully. You must know plenty to handle them the way you did in your book. Things have been happening pretty fast in Washington recently. I look, and hope for a good house-cleaning there

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shortly.

Don't be too disappointed when you see an old house at this address that looks like the 'Grapes of Wrath' forgot it, instead of a swanky setup. My shop is here where my wife and I live. I have gradually been getting a three acre place in order so that we can build there, located a mile west of Calabasas on Ventura Blvd. out of the smog. We have put in the last 2 years getting the place in order, a 800 foot private blacktop road, a 257 foot well dug to get water, and dozens of other little things. So, we are parking hear until we can build a simple ranch style home there, besides an ample space for the kind of experimental and work shop I would like to have, and setup equipment I have stored to work with. But, none of this will affect you seeing what you will come to see.

In closing, I wish to thank you, and Mr. Newton, for your interest, and hope to hear from you again in the near future.

Very sincerely,

Wilbur George

Wilbur George.

April 26
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Dear Mrs. Elliott:-

Thank you again for that mysterious alphabet. Where did you get it from? I haven't yet found anybody who could make head or tail of it but a Colonel Welch who was way up in Project Saucer is coming to visit me next week and I'm going to ask him to come clean, not only on this point but lots of others.

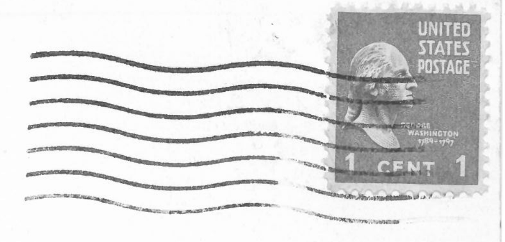
If you run into any more reports of saucer sightings, please send them along.

Faithfully yours,

FS:AP

FRANK SCULLY





Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Ave
Hollywood 28
Calif.

JACK ELLIOTT ALBERTA

FEB. 15

RFD #3
BOX 391 A
WILMINGTON, N.C.

MR. SCULLY:

HERE I AM AGAIN WITH UNKNOWN ALPHABET, WHICH YOU SAID YOU HAD SENT ON TO SOMEONE. A COPY FOR YOU NOW.

This is claimed to be an alphabet from another planet, and came with an interpretation of sorts.

Alberta B. Elliott



Route 3, Box 391 A
Wilmington, N.C.
May 4, 1951

Hi there, Mr. Scully:

Since the public admits you to the periphery of the nutshell, here goes:

> ..the alaphabet is supposedly from Mars...
> It is admittedly a working alphabet, and
> even Flammarion was interested in it at
> one time

I have pursued, in my nut fashion, this subject for quite a few years, even to writing to Museum of Natural History both New York and Washington, and trying to see if undeciphered inscriptions might not contain some of the letters. No success to date.

It will be some "fools" like you and myself that will,or let me say, might hit the jackpot....and for quite a killing.

While I was living in Westchester a saucer was supposed to have fallen in,I believe,it was New Rochelle. I was away at the time, and on returning investigated. The Italian family refused to talk since they had been made so much fun of, but I did get the daughter to admit that there was writing of some kind attached, and that it looked to her like Chinese. The whole thing was disposed of by Papa, and everybody told to keep still. That's the nearest I've gotten so far, but it's still fun to carry the alphabet on a card in my purse, and who knows?

Just reviewed Heard's book and he's for Mars too.

They seem--the mythical they--to have curtailed all mention of saucers. Haven't read a word in thepapers since getting to Wilmington. Of course, a hundred years ago it was much easier to spot them, especially the cigar-shaped thing. I am and have been forté on Fort.

Let's keep in touch when and if. Wouldn't it be something if we had the source of communication?

Now you know I'm a nut, half cracked but enthusiastic, and having a whale of fun.

Yours for a Martian message,

Alberta Elliott
Mrs. J.K.

Paradise, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania,
May 8, 1951.

Geza Korcsmaros, Jr.,
Campbell, Ohio.

Dear sir:-

I'm sorry I can't give you any more information than I gave in the ADVENTURE letter--in which I gave all I am allowed at this time. The "balls of light", which Percy Fawcett thought to be "trapped sunlight", have three times in Brazilian history been noted. I have no public information beyond what Percy Fawcett believed them to be.

I'm interested in the Morgantown, N.C., balls of light. Maybe I'll go have a look one of these days. Thanks for letting me know.

I don't believe I named any "Atlantides"--not having an ADVENTURE at hand at the moment of the proper date--nor did I give the approximate latitude and longitude. The trouble is that maps of Central Brazil are so far in error generally that even the great Tapajos River, sixth in size of the Amazon's tributaries, is actually between twenty and thirty miles away from its map location.

There is another matter on which I don't wish to assume responsibility for giving approximate positions: this is a public communication, via ADVENTURE magazine, and I just don't want somebody I may never know, to go lunging into Central Brazil, and dying, trying to find lights and other Atlantean symbols, which caused the disappearance of Fawcett and scores of others before and after him. Therefore I must refrain from offering direct information except to people sufficiently interested to see me personally, so that I may judge of their intentions face to face. I'm sure you can understand my position.

Thanks for writing. Your airmail stamp seems to have been misplaced, but ordinary mail gets to Ohio fast from here.

Sincerely,

Arthur J. Burks

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WILLIAM J. VINCENT
- REAL ESTATE -
2 MAIN STREET ROSLYN, N. Y.
Opposite the Clock Tower

May 10, 1951

Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Avenue
Hollywood 28, Calif.

Dear Mr. Scully: re: Flying Saucers

Thank you for your letter of April 26th. I am enclosing a copy of a letter I received from the Air Force which was in answer to my letter of February 5th.

I have also written several leading magazines, newspapers and government officials for further effort on their part to shed more light on the subject. My letter to Mr. Truman received no reply but perhaps no answer at all is better than receiving on of his famous letters.

Like many other saucer supporters, I have discussed the matter with dozens of pilots, military personel, etc., and have delved into the laws of physics and magnetism. I might say that there is some skepticism shown toward your "Dr. Gee". By your description of him, his former duties and date of release, he could easily be identified by the Air Force. Why not identify him to the public ?

Incidently, I enjoy you column in Variety every week. I spent 12 years in the music business and went into real estate only 3 years ago. Hoping that time will reveal the saucer mystery, I am,

Sincerely yours,

William J. Vincent

First National Bank,
Wilkes-Barre,Pa.,
May 11,1951.

Dear Mr. Scully;

Thanks for letter of May 4th. Little Moreen is mighty cute.....perhaps she and my $4\frac{1}{2}$ year old Frankie may go for a spin in the moonlight twenty years from now,in a saucer,of course! Hope you have left the upper story of Bedside Manor.

I knew neither the Mankiewicz boys nor Frank Ward O'Malley,although Wilkes-Barre is of course proud of them. I did know J. Barton Cheyney,an old Sun man,who is now in a rest home in suburban Philadelphia at the ripe age of 98. I took him bass fishing a couple of times back in the early thirties.

Neither of the Inneses you mention sounds familiar. My great grandfather,Samuel E, Innes,published the weekly "Democrat & Argus" in Easton,Pa.,in the 1850's. And I remember a large Innes Shoe Company store in Los Angeles back in 1927. At the present shoe prices I'd like to claim kinship!

Now to brass tacks. Neither TRUE nor Frank Edwards replied to my letter and diagram. However,after five weeks the Air Force did. I enclose copies of my Air Force correspondence,which I am almost certain you will find of interest.

My own reaction to the Air Force reply follows:

pp. 1. Soft soap....pat on back for harmless little Joe.
pp. 2. Completely contradictory to pp.1. If erroneous,why did they take five weeks to study so thoroughly? Or were they checking on me?
pp. 3. There's the only unqualified statement in their letter.
pp. 4. Very qualified and clever phraseology. Admission that balloon story was not official important. Very careful not to deny Dr. Mirarchi's story.
pp. 5. Written down to a grade schooler's level. I can't believe that the misspelling of your name was anything but deliberate, to lead me to believe that they weren't much interested in you.
pp. 6. Same old stuff..except for the last line. I'd like to know what things cannot be precisely identified in the air. Only once did I see such things....that's what started me on saucers!

I acknowledged their reply,let them know in a polite fashion that my views were unchanged,thanked them for their courtesy, and chided them firmly on the "Skully". No answer,nor do I expect any.

Since writing you I have read Gerald Heard's book and the recent rather disappointing,"Men of Other Planets" by a Hayden Planetarium lecturer. What happened to the biography of Frank Scully promised in December for early publication? (Simon & Schuster-J.P.McEvoy)

I judge from your letter that you have been slowed up by sickness. When you catch up and can spare the time, I shall be very interested to learn how that "erroneous" little diagram of mine made out with your astronomer friends, Dr. Gee, Colonel Welch, or other such qualified persons to whom you may have shown it.

Incidentally, Frank Edwards broadcast Wednesday night from Wilkes-Barre. In the crowd after the broadcast I pushed in and had time to ask him only why he had dropped saucers as of the last week in February. He said that there had been absolutely nothing in the news since the end of February. He assured me that as far as he was concerned he had not been stopped in any way from commenting on sightings.

Mr. Scully, I still can't believe that that diagram of mine is completely coincidence.

Saucer sightings, going good in February, stopped appearing on the news wires within a few days of Wright Field's receipt of my first letter. This is not conceit on my part.....but could it be possible that that chart of mine had something to do with saucer news? Without reported sightings the chart cannot continue and so more or less prove itself. Pure speculation...but I certainly wonder!!!

You may keep the enclosures, and you're welcome to any of my ideas if usable.

I hope this letter answers your question about my diagram. If you wish, I shall be glad to pass on to you anything further that may develope in my amateur search for saucer facts.

With best personal wishes I remain

Very truly yours,

Frank B. Dunes

Greer School
Hope Farm
Dutchess County
New York
May 18, 1951

Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Avenue
Hollywood, California

Dear Mr. Scully:

Thank you very much for your two letters and also for the "Exclusive!" of the small Moreen Theresa. She out babys "The Baby!"

In spite of having six people trying to find a copy I was not able to get hold of the February issue of Pageant. I wish you'd write for something that isn't all snatched by the men as fast as it hits the news stands!!

I'm enclosing a copy of the letter I received from Chancellor Cherrington of University of Denver as you requested in your first letter. If it's too late for it to be of any use to you, file it in the nearest waste basket.

Is there anyway that one can acquire that full lecture by Silas Newton? Several of us are much interested but it could not be done through the institution, I believe, for the director, Dr. Randle Elliott, is completely sold on the Navy's explanation i.e., cosmic ray research balloons. Incidentally I wrote to the office of Naval Research for a copy of the press release which contained that material by Dr. Ulmer Liddell but was unsuccessful in getting it.

I don't suppose there is any way that you can pass along more of the official opinion you refer to without betraying confidential information. I wish there were-- I should certainly like further confirmation. And what do you mean when you say that "astronomers" are giving us more confirmation photographically than anybody else these days?"

Mr. Frank Scully May 18, 1951

I'm wondering whether our own physicists are getting so close to the secret of magnetic propulsion and disintegration that Army, Navy and Air Force want no attention drawn to it--hence the cosmic ray balloon story and others as fat red herrings across the trail.

This may interest you, although you unquestionably know far more on the subject that I do. Within the last month I was told of a small flying saucer having been found, stamped as property of the U.S. Army, placed in an armored truck and sealed in. When the truck got to its destination it was empty. It seemed to me that the information was fairly direct and I asked whether I might quote it. The answer at first, was no, but later was changed to yes, providing I did not indicate the source.

I am again enclosing a stamped and self-addressed envelope and am hoping for further information.

Sincerely,

Ruth M. Freitag

First Methodist Church

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MILTON NOTHDURFT, MINISTER
310 W. MAPLE STREET
PHONE 301

May 23, 1951

see May 21

Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Avenue
Hollywood 28, Calif.

see May 31 1951

Dear Friend Scully:

The two saucers that were seen west of here last Saturday (May 19th, 10:20-10:45 p.m.) are having a field day around here yet!

A third operator at the state police radio saw one of them -- in approximately the same direction -- on Sunday night.

A news broadcast last night over WMT, Cedar Rapids, tells about "two saucers that took off in a blinding flash of speed near Coggan in broad daylight yesterday (Tues.)" Coggan is 20-25 miles north-northeast of Cedar Rapids, and is in about the same direction from Maquoketa as the ones Saturday and Sunday nights. I have written the news bureau of WMT. If they are awake, they will investigate. If not, we can expect the usual thing from the reporters.

COMMENT

1. For two years I have noticed how many, many reports (at least in Iowa) are near rivers or other bodies of water. (I flew over one territory where saucers did rather careful investigating for over an hour in 1947 -- Waterloo -- and found there were many "sand pits" filled with water.) Most others were rivers. This again is near a river. I hope to fly over this soon.

2. Perhaps more significant is the recent report-- within the last two weeks -- that the new radar equipment Collins' have been making (Cedar Rapids) is completed. ARE THEY TESTING IT, AND IS THAT BRINGING OUR VISITORS?

A man who was working for Collins' told me a year or so ago, "I saw the radar equipment they radared the moon with, and this is so much larger than that, that I can't imagine what they're going to do with it."

Sincerely yours,

Milton Nothdurft

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I have read Heard's book, with pleasure. Several of his conclusions, however, are not necessary. I still think Venus is inhabited. Furthermore, why would the ships have to come from OUR solar system? Once we start stretching our minds, inter-stellar space is not out of the question. The many kinds of craft might indicate different regions of space — different civilizations

The problem of the G's bothered me for a long time too, but why insects? That would not bother my emotions too much, if true, but I think your solution is as logical. If the pull of gravity is overcome by the magnetism-mechanism of the ships so they can hover indefinitely, why not take care of gravity inside the ship in the same way? Take away the pull of gravity INSIDE the ship, and the "20 G's" problem is solved! No need of insects!

However, your friend has offered much to ponder, and it is very worthwhile. It is interesting to note that Harpers publish his book, after he made the statement in the London edition that Harpers would not touch the subject. (Or isn't there a connection between the magazine and the book publishers?)

Am not interested in publishing anything. Am just interested in the chaplain who buried the little men, and now in the Scotland story, with a view to getting at the real facts. After all, a free interchange of ideas among those deeply involved in the study, is better than Air Force censorship or ridicule.

Hope to hear from you soon.

M.N.

M.N.



I don't know who will get you first, me or the Devil, but we are both listening for you!

GEORGE C. STARRY P.O. BOX 487

Mr. Frank Scully
c/o Henry Holt & Company, Inc., Publishers
257 Fourth Ave.
New York 10, N. Y.

Dear Sir;

I have had the pleasure of reading your book "Behind The Flying Saucers" and truthfully say that it is one of the most interesting books that anyone would care to read. I have mentioned your book to quite a few people, and I've told them if they wanted to read something of real interest, to not fail to read your book "Behind The Flying Saucers." Congratulation's Frank Scully, you have written a wonderful book.

I have never seen one of these Flying Saucers, however I have some Newspaper clippings of people that claim they have seen them, one instant Being but 18 or 20 miles from Latrobe, Pa. If you think these clippings would be of any interest to you I will be glad to send them. I myself am not so little minded to think that such a thing has not been seen, or that they can't be seen. If I ever see one of these Flying Saucers I would be more than pleased to tell you all about it.

It seems only common sense to think, that if we on this planet are makeing plans to go to the various planets, why shouldn't we surmise that they are planning on coming to the planet earth. In a recent article written by Professor Bart J. Bok of Harvard Observatory he tells that there absolutely are no animal or human life on the planet Mars as it's impossible.

Well Mr. Scully, it has been wonderful to have this opportunity to write to you, and I want to ask, that after buying one of your books & have it sent to you, would you be kind enough to autograph same for me?

Hopeing to hear from you at your earliest conveniences.

I Remain, A Sincere & Ardent Reader of your book.

George C. Starry

George C. Starry

612 James St.

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SHORT WAVE EXPERIMENTAL AND MONITORING STATION

LATROBE PENNSYLVANIA

472 Poplar St.,
Laguna Beach, Calif.

May 28, 1951

Dear Frank Scully:

For your Saucer files, would you be interested in a rather peculiar incident witnessed by my son and me in October 1949, in the Cascade Mountains?

Since a plane at that time testing at Mojave (so I have been told) was involved, I'd prefer a verbal discription.. possibly you bring your 'Scully Circus' down the coast to bathe at Laguna....or shove aside the gobs of tar at Balboa, which is near enough. If so, let me know. Our 'incident' might be of no importance, and then again, it might interlock with some data you have still unpublished....

Have meant to write you ever since 'Behind the Flying Saucers' was off the press.....and by the way, why is it that, according to the cover of the Popular Library edition, only young and beautiful gals were terror-stricken? Maybe the older ones like myself were only too happy to stand quietly aside to greet whatever ambassadors arrived, three or thirty-three feet tall!

Sincerely,

Nina Nickle

Mrs. Nina Nickle.

Bldg. 10, Apt. 7
Syracuse Army Air Base
Syracuse 8, New York
May 29, 1951

Mr. Frank Scully
2071 Grace Ave.
Hollywood 28, California

Dear Mr. Scully:

Much to my surprise on February 12th I received a post card (stenciled, of course) acknowledging receipt of my letter requesting a copy of your "Behind the Flying Saucers" - you see, I just couldn't wait until our local book shops stocked your book.

Let me see it.

In this post card you said you would attempt to answer questions in regard to your book, but unfortunately, as I hadn't as yet read it, I didn't quite know what to expect. However, as I've always been terrifically interested in things of this sort, and had kept a scrap book on the continued reports of flying saucers, I knew I would enjoy it to the hilt. So, Mr. Scully, before this letter goes into your wastebasket, please buzz for one of your "two secretaries", cross your "two legs" on your desk, fill up your "two lungs", and start dictating some kind of answers to my questions. Seriously, any information that you could possibly find time to write me would be more than appreciated, and a letter from you would be a priceless item for my "conquest of space" scrap book. How about it?

1. Bob Considine in an article in a recent "Cosmopolitan" issue claims that the radio equipment discovered in a saucer was a crock of hooey (that's just my digest of what he wrote). Was it?

2. What ever did the Air Force do with the bodies of our "spacemen"?

3. You mentioned something about an instrument found on these ships that the government had put to use in the protection of our country. Can you elucidate on this at all?

This could go on interminably, but you're probably driven to distraction with letters of this sort - so I'll stop right now. Perhaps you've had mimeographed forms or something to mail out that might be an interesting addition to my scrap book. However, a personally dictated letter from you would be truly "out of this world".

Keep 'em flying.

Sincerely,

Virginia Meehan

(Mrs.) Virginia Meehan